Story + Sonnet = Stonnet

Directions: Select one nursery rhyme to inspire a traditional English sonnet.

**Sample**

**Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,  
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.  
All the King's horses and all the King's men  
Couldn't put Humpty together again!**

Police erected tapes around the scene,

Forensic came and dusted it for clues

Unscrambling the "how" and "might have been",

The Press turned up and howled for interviews.

Deciding on a massive show of force

The King sent all his men to solve the crime,

All evidence was trampled under horse,

"The Dumpty Case" was shut down in its prime.

A cover-up, for sure, and that's not all -

A fleet of trucks arrived that very day,

And carted off the somewhat suspect wall,

We watched them take the last of it away.

An accident - or crime? No-one can tell,

Detectives souvenired the bits of shell.

SOURCE

 http://kingpoetry.com/humptystonnet.htm

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Directions: Below is a list of commonly known examples. Reference the library books for a greater variety of nursery rhymes.

Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water  
Jack fell down and broke his crown  
And Jill came tumbling after.

Baa baa black sheep, have you any wool?  
Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full!  
One for the master, one for the dame,  
And one for the little boy who lives down the lane.

Twinkle twinkle little star, how I wonder what you are?  
Up above the world so high , like a diamond in the sky  
Twinkle twinkle little star, how I wonder what you are?

Three blind mice, three blind mice,  
See how they run, see how they run,  
They all ran after the farmer's wife,  
Who cut off their tails with a carving knife,  
Did you ever see such a thing in your life,  
As three blind mice?

Little Bo peep has lost her sheep  
And doesn't know where to find them.  
Leave them alone and they'll come home,  
Bringing their tails behind them.

Hey diddle diddle, the cat and the fiddle,  
The cow jumped over the moon.  
The little dog laughed to see such fun  
And the dish ran away with the spoon!

Jack Sprat could eat no fat  
His wife could eat no lean  
And so betwixt the two of them  
They licked the platter clean

Hickory dickory dock  
The mouse ran up the clock  
The clock struck one  
The mouse ran down  
Hickory dickory dock

**Names:**

**Sonnet Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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Review of Sonnet Structure

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